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Prior Application:

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This is a

☒ Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114
(prosecution of the application is closed in the sense of 37 CFR §1.114(b));

☐ Divisional Continuation Application (parent not abandoned) under 37
CFR §1.53(b);

of pending prior application Serial No. 09/697,305, filed October 27, 2000
for [Title as filed]: FAULT DETECTING METHOD AND LAYOUT METHOD FOR
SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED CIRCUIT

[Amended Title]: same

by [Inventors]: Takaki YOSHIDA and Reisuke SHIMODA

1. ☐ A copy of the prior application is attached. This copy comprises a true copy of the prior application as filed (specification, claims, drawings, declaration). No amendments referred to in the declaration (if any) filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
2. ☐ Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.

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3. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING IN AN APPLICATION AFTER ENTRY
OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR AMENDMENT
UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 NOTED BELOW

Basic Fee
\$ 770.00

Total claims	52	-20 =	32 x \$18.00 (* 9.00) =	576.00
Independent claims	5	- 3 =	2 x \$86.00 (*43.00) =	<u>86.00</u>
Total Filing Fee.....			=	\$1,432.00

4. [x] A check in the amount of \$1,432.00 is enclosed (CK# 17604).
THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY OTHER FEES
WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT
NO. 160331.

5. [x] Cancel in this application claims 23-52 of the prior application
before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent claim
is retained for filing purposes.

6. [] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the
sentence:

--This is a [] Continuation [] Division of application Serial No.
_____ filed _____, which in turn is a national stage entry of
International Application No. _____ filed _____ designating the U.S., which
claims the benefit of Application No. _____ filed .--

7. [] Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37 CFR
§1.116 with any attachments filed on _____ in this application which was
not entered therein.

8. [x] Priority of foreign application(s) No. 11-307872, filed October 29,
1999; in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

[x] The certified copy was filed in application No. 09/697,305 on
November 30, 2000.

[] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is
filed herewith.

9. [x] The prior application is assigned of record to MATSUSHITA ELECTRIC
INDUSTRIAL CO., LTD. Recorded at Reel 011250, Frame 0824.

10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:

[x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

[] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

[x] c. Address all future communications to

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11. [x] An Application Data Sheet is enclosed herewith.

12. [x] An Amendment is enclosed herewith.

13. [] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed herewith.

14. [x] This application is not entitled to Small Entity Status.

15. [x] A Petition for One Month Extension of Time is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

PARKHURST & WENDEL, L.L.P.



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